



## Welcome to February 2021!

Ypsilanti Community Schools will participate in [Black Lives Matter at School Week of Action](#) February 1-5, 2021. Please find a link with more information about this platform. YCS will also participate in various community activities in celebration of Black History Month. Each school will have its own line-up of activities in addition to the YCS Black History Month Speaker Series that starts on Wednesday, February 3rd.

**BLACK**  
HISTORY MONTH  
*Speaker Series*

# JUST A KID FROM YPSI!

Chat with these professionals  
that grew up in **48197**  
& **48198** zip codes and  
now have amazing  
careers through hard  
work, education, dedication,  
and community!

**Wednesday,  
Feb. 3rd  
11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

**Zoom Link**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82009922468?  
pwd=aFF6b3o2M0lFdm5seGNgYWxPMUZGZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82009922468?pwd=aFF6b3o2M0lFdm5seGNgYWxPMUZGZz09)



**Charles Ramsey**  
Basketball Coach, Educator,  
and Consultant



**Taryn Willis**  
Marketing and  
Communications Administrator



**Cherisa Allen**  
Social Worker and Entrepreneur



**Reagan Sidney**  
Entrepreneur and Radio Host



**Djeneba Cherif**  
Education Administrator



**Erica Roberson-Peters**  
Global Branding Executive



**Darrell "DAS" Smith**  
Professional Chef



**Nycole Flynn**  
Owner of Nycole Flynn Solutions

**School of Choice Applications**

This is the last week to enroll for the School of Choice! The application can be found on our website at [www.ycschools.us/enrollment/](http://www.ycschools.us/enrollment/) and the deadline is February 5, 2021. Share with families and community members!



The National African American Parent Involvement Day (NAAPID) Committee is working hard to present NAPPID virtually on **Monday, March 8th**. As a part of our yearly programming, we have students in Washtenaw County submit artistic poster designs based on the year's theme. This year's theme is Resiliency.

Please find a PDF of the contest rules, deadlines, and how to enter student artwork for the contest. IF you have any questions, please use the contact information on the form.

# NAAPID 26th Annual Poster Contest

2021 Theme

NAAPID: Resilience is Timeless

Resilience is made up of five pillars: self awareness, mindfulness, self care, positive relationships & purpose. by strengthening these pillars, we in turn, become more resilient.

Entry Deadline  
Friday, February 19, 2021  
4:00 pm

## About the Contest

- ◆ Open to all Washtenaw County K-12 students.
- ◆ Posters reflecting students own creative artwork.
- ◆ Students must work individually.
- ◆ **POSTER MUST BE IN IMAGE FORM & UPLOADED**
- ◆ Posters may be used in subsequent marketing of NAAPID and/or NAAPID at Night events.
- ◆ Winning students will be formally introduced and will receive awards. NAAPID at Night Program will be **Monday March 8, 2021**. Our program will be a **Virtual Program**. The Link will be shared at a later time.
- ◆ A trophy will be awarded to the winning student for each of the following divisions:
  - ◆ Kindergarten
  - ◆ Lower Elementary (grades 1-2)
  - ◆ Upper Elementary (grades 3-5)
  - ◆ Middle School (grades 6-8)
  - ◆ High School (grades 9-12)

For more information, contact:  
naapid.chair@gmail.com  
734-678-4136

2020 Contest Winner



By Erin Kawata, 3rd grade, 8 years old, Bach Elementary

Entries Must Be Received By:  
Friday, February 19, 2021



## Poster Design & Requirements

All posters must include:

To avoid disqualification,  
PLEASE adhere to Poster  
Design & Requirements

- ◆ No Smaller than 8.5" x 11"
- ◆ NAAPID or National African American Parent Involvement Day—**POSTERS MUST BE IN IMAGE FORM & UPLOADED**
- ◆ 2021 Theme or a clear indication of the theme
- ◆ Illustration of Parent Involvement with Student(s)
- ◆ Setting: School Environment
- ◆ African American (inclusion of other cultures encouraged, optional)
- ◆ Historical events options, but Parent Involvement with students at/around school must be clearly illustrated.
- ◆ If entering artwork for a special needs student, please record "POH" on the back of the poster
- ◆ **Record the following for each student** on back of poster
  - ◆ Student name, grade, and age
  - ◆ Name of parent/guardian & email address
  - ◆ Home address & telephone number
  - ◆ Teacher name & email address

and completed entry form to:

2021 NAAPID Poster Contest  
Attn: TBD  
Take or scan picture of the Poster \*  
(Front & Back)—Posters images MUST  
be uploaded to a Google Form

Link to Google Form:  
<https://forms.gle/nNAb19UUmqXDRzrZ7>

Submit entries

## YCS Resources:



# Need a warm coat?

**Ypsilanti Community Schools Resiliency Center also has warm clothing, school supplies and PPE available.**

Located at Willow Run Campus, 235 Spencer Lane in Ypsilanti

To fill out an appointment form, CLICK BELOW

<https://forms.gle/XVM26aZc6PBv5FcW8>

Phone hotline open Mon-Fri

7:30 am-3:30 pm

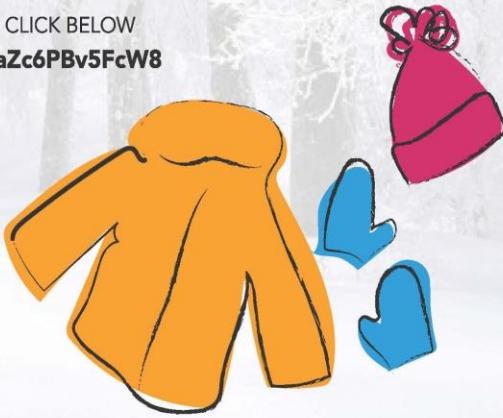
**(734) 221-1340**

## Contactless pickup

Questions?

Marquan Jackson

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YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND THE YPSILANTI ROTARY CLUB  
PRESENT

**BLACK**  
HISTORY MONTH  
*Speaker Series*

**The Divine 9 and  
Social Organizations  
in the Black Community**

Learn more about these organizations'  
contributions to society and the Black Community,  
plus collegiate scholarship opportunities available to  
Washtenaw County students.

**Monday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> • 12 - 1 p.m.**

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.  
*Founded 1906, Cornell University*

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.  
*Founded 1908, Howard University*

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.  
*Founded 1911, Indiana University*

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.  
*Founded 1911, Howard University*

**Click on name to read more!**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
*Founded 1913, Howard University*

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.  
*Founded 1914, Howard University*

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.  
*Founded 1920, Howard University*

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.  
*Founded 1922, Butler University*

Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc.  
*Founded 1963, Morgan State University*

Jack and Jill of America, Inc.

The Links, Inc.

Palm Leaf Club

**Click to ZOOM**

Meeting ID: 378 111 0170  
Passcode: YpsiRotary



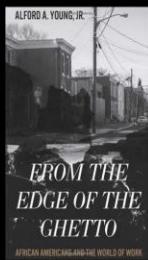
**Mayor Lois Richardson**  
Mayor of Ypsilanti, Michigan

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**Dr. Alford Young, Jr.**

University of Michigan  
Afroamerican and African Studies  
Author of *From the Edge of the Ghetto: African Americans and the World of Work*



# A Reflection of Ypsi & African- American Families

**Wednesday,  
Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>  
6:00-7:30 p.m.**



**Click to ZOOM**

Meeting ID: 378 111 0170  
Passcode: YpsiRotary

# Save the Date **NAAPID**

Celebrating NAAPID Next 25 Years of Resilience

## THEME

### Resilience is Timeless

Resilience is made up of five pillars:  
self awareness, mindfulness, self care,  
positive relationships & purpose.  
by strengthening these pillars,  
we in turn, become more resilient.

**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021

**Venue:** Virtual-Zoom

**Time:** 5:00 - 6:00pm

## 5 Pillars of Resilience



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE  
*Collaboration for Change*

YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS



*Presents...* AN IN-PERSON  
**LEARNING LAB**

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**PARKRIDGE**  
COMMUNITY CENTER

591 ARMSTRONG YPSILANTI 49197

**MONDAY - THURSDAY**  
**9AM - 3PM**

**FOR YCS STUDENTS IN GRADES K - 5**

*Open January 11, 2021*

- ACADEMIC SUPPORT
- BREAKFAST & LUNCH
- ACCESS TO INTERNET

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL  
[LEARNINGLABS@YCSCHOOLS.US](mailto:LEARNINGLABS@YCSCHOOLS.US)



**Click Here To Register:**

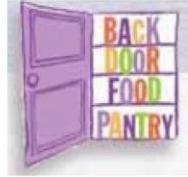
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**Community Resources:**



# The Back Door Food Pantry

2309 Packard Street Ann Arbor



is **OPEN** for Food Distribution

**OUTDOORS**

**Thursdays 4-7 pm**

**NO ACCESS TO BUILDINGS**

**MASKS** required

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

### **Grizzly Store**

The YCS Sideline Spirit Store is open full time. Use the link to check out Grizzlies Apparel and Equipment. Use promo code SPIRIT21 to get 25% off of items until February 12, 2021. Items can ship directly to your home.

# IT'S HERE!

## GRIZZLIES

### GEAR NOW ONLINE!



SIDELINE  
STORE

SHOP NOW ▶



**ALWAYS  
OPEN!**

- YOUR COLORS & LOGOS
- PERSONALIZATION OPTIONS
- SHIPS DIRECT TO YOU

GRAND OPENING SALE  
**25%  
OFF  
EVERYTHING**

SHOP NOW ▶

USE CODE: SPIRIT21

<https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/michigan/ypsilanti/ypsilanti-community-high-school>

#### **Reminder: YCS Code of Conduct**

Parents and guardians, please be reminded that the Ypsilanti Community Schools Code of Conduct is in full effect during online learning. Students must display appropriate behavior while attending in-person classes, along with virtual classes. Any disciplinary issues will be reported to the administration and could result in disciplinary action, including suspension or further disciplinary action by the Board of Education. Please visit [www.ycschools.us](http://www.ycschools.us) for more information on the Code of Conduct.

#### **Sign-up for School Happenings**

Stay Up-To-Date with Latest News & Events from YCS Join our Emailing list - Never miss an update! Click here to subscribe to YCS News <https://tinyurl.com/y5ld6ro8>.